<u>REMARKS</u>

Applicant has amended claims 51, 62 and 63 and canceled claims 61 and 73. Claims 51-60 and 62-72 are pending.

Claims 61-63 and 71 were indicated as object to as being dependent of a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The subject matter of claim 61 has been added to independent claim 51; thus, claim 51 now has the scope of original claim 61 and is allowable. Claims 62 and 63 have been amended to depend from now-amended claim 61. Claim 71 depends from claim 51. Claims 62-63 and 71 are allowable. Additionally, claims 52-70 are likewise allowable, each depending, directly or indirectly, from now-amended claim 51.

Claim 72 was indicated as allowed.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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